



Jews in the politics

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Pre-1900

- [Benjamin Disraeli, 1st Earl of Beaconsfield](#) (1837) [2], Conservative Prime Minister (family converted to Anglicanism)
- [Lionel de Rothschild](#) (1847, admitted 1858) [3], Liberal MP, first practising Jew to be elected an MP
- [David Salomons](#) (1851, admitted 1858) Liberal MP, first Jewish Sheriff and Lord Mayor of London, first Jewish magistrate (JYB 2005 p.203)
- [Mayer Amschel de Rothschild](#) [4] (1859) Liberal MP
- [Sir Francis Henry Goldsmid](#) (1860) [5], MP for Reading, first Jewish barrister
- [Frederick David Goldsmid](#) (1865) [6], MP for Honiton
- [Sir Julian Goldsmid](#) (1866) [7], MP for Honiton, Rochester (1870), St. Pancras South (1894)
- [Sir George Jessel](#) (1868) [8], [Solicitor General for England and Wales](#), later [Master of the Rolls](#); first Jewish minister
- [Farrer Herschell, 1st Baron Herschell](#), Conservative MP, later [Lord Chancellor](#) (1874) (family converted to Anglicanism) [1]
- [Henry Drummond Wolff](#) [9] (1874)
- [Arthur Cohen](#) [2], Liberal MP (1880)
- [Henry de Worms, 1st Baron Pirbright](#) [10], Conservative MP 1880
- [Samuel Montagu, 1st Baron Swaythling](#) (1885) [11], Liberal MP and banker.
- Sir [Edward Sassoon](#) Bt., (1889) [Liberal Unionist Party](#) MP for [Hythe](#) (*The Times*, May 25, 1912)
- [Sydney Stern, Baron Wandsworth](#) (1891) MP for Stowmarket JYB 5657 (1896-7) p102
- [Gustav Wilhelm Wolff](#) [12] (1892) MP for East Belfast and founder of [Harland and Wolff](#)

1900-1939

- [Herbert Samuel, 1st Viscount Samuel](#) (1902) [13], Liberal cabinet minister & leader
- [Rufus Isaacs, 1st Marquess of Reading](#) (1904) [14], Liberal cabinet minister & Viceroy of India. The only British Jew to be elevated to a [Marquessate](#).
- [Alfred Mond, 1st Baron Melchett](#) (1906) - JYB 1911 p297; *Encyclopaedia Judaica* 12:241-2
- [Edwin Samuel Montagu](#) (1906) [15]
- [Frank Goldsmith](#) Conservative M.P. for [Stowmarket](#) (1910) JYB 1911 p297
- [Trebitsch Lincoln](#) (1910) [16]
- Sir [Percy Alfred Harris](#), Liberal MP (1916) [3]
- [Arthur Samuel](#) [4], Conservative M.P. (1918)
- [Manny Shinwell, Baron Shinwell \(1884-1986\)](#) (1922) [17], Labour cabinet minister & Chairman
- [Leslie Haden-Guest](#) [5], Labour MP
- [Leslie Hore-Belisha, 1st Baron Hore-Belisha \(1893-1957\)](#) (1923) [18], Liberal National cabinet minister
- [Harry Louis Nathan, 1st Baron Nathan of Churt](#) (1929) Liberal, later Labour MP [6]
- [Barnett Janner](#) (1931), Labour MP [7]
- [Dudley Joel](#) (1931), Conservative MP [8]
- [Sydney Silverman](#) (1935) Labour MP 1935 [9]
- [Lewis Silkin, 1st Baron Silkin](#) (1936), Labour cabinet minister: *Encyclopaedia Judaica* vol 14 cols 1539-1540; father of [John Silkin](#) and [Samuel Silkin](#)

1940-1973

Paul Rose 1964-79 Labour M.P. and Opposition frontbencher.

- [John Diamond, Baron Diamond](#) (1945), Labour cabinet minister and SDP leader in the House of Lords (*The Independent* (London); 06/04/04)

- [Maurice Edelman](#) (1911-1975) (1945) ^[10], Labour MP
- [Harold Lever, Baron Lever of Manchester](#) (1914-1995) (1945) ^[19], Labour MP
- [Ian Mikardo \(1908-1993\)](#) (1945) ^[20], Labour MP
- [Phil Piratin](#) (1945) ^[21], Communist Party MP
- [Samuel Segal](#) (1945), Labour MP and later Deputy Speaker of the House of Lords
- Sir [Gerald Nabarro](#) (1950) ^[11], Conservative MP
- Sir [Henry d'Avigdor-Goldsmid](#) (1955) ^[12]
- [Keith Joseph](#), Conservative cabinet minister and life peer (1956) (JYB 1988 p192, 227)
- Sir [Philip Goodhart](#) (1957) ^[13], Conservative MP and minister
- [Leo Abse](#) (1958) ^[22], Labour MP & social reformer
- [Myer Galpern](#) (1959) ^[23] Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means
- [John Silkin](#) (1963), Labour cabinet minister (JYB 1986 p186, 269)
- [Joel Barnett](#) (1964), Labour cabinet minister and [life peer](#) (JYB 2005 p212)
- [Edmund Dell](#) (1964) ^[24], Labour cabinet minister & founding chairman of [Channel 4](#)
- [Reginald Freeson](#) (1964), Labour minister (JYB 2005 p212, 241-2)
- [Robert Maxwell](#) (1964), Labour MP for Buckingham, subsequently proprietor of the *Daily Mirror*
- [Samuel Silkin](#), Labour cabinet minister and life peer (1964) - JYB 1986 p185, 269-70
- [Eric Moonman](#) (1966), Labour MP (JYB 2005 p279)
- [Robert Adley](#) ^[14] (1970), Conservative MP
- [James d'Avigdor-Goldsmid](#) ^[15] (1970), Conservative MP
- [Sally Oppenheim-Barnes](#) (1970), Conservative MP (JYB 2005 p.212, 282-3)
- [Michael Fidler](#) ^[16], Conservative MP
- [Greville Janner](#) (1970) ^[25], Labour MP, now life peer
- Sir [Gerald Kaufman](#) (1970) ^[26], Labour minister
- Sir [Anthony Meyer](#) (1970), Conservative MP, leadership candidate ^[17]
- Sir [Clement Freud](#) (1973) ^[27], Liberal MP

1974 -

- [Leon Brittan, Baron Brittan of Spennithorne](#) (born [1939](#)) (1974) ^[28], Conservative cabinet minister, European Commissioner
- [Helene Hayman](#) (1974), MP / [Life Peer](#) (JYB 2005 p212)
- [Nigel Lawson, Baron Lawson of Blaby](#), Conservative cabinet minister and life peer (1974) - JYB 2005 p212
- [Millie Miller](#) (1974) ^[18], Labour MP
- Sir [Malcolm Rifkind](#) (1974) ^[29], Conservative cabinet minister
- [Alf Dubs](#) (1979) ^[30], Labour MP and [life peer](#)
- [Edwina Currie](#) (1983) ^[31], Conservative minister
- [Michael Howard](#) (1983) ^[32], Conservative cabinet minister & party leader ([2003-2005](#))
- [Barbara Roche](#) (1992) ^[33], Labour minister
- [Peter Mandelson](#) (1992), Labour MP for Hartlepool, Cabinet Minister for [Northern Ireland](#) and now [EU Commissioner](#) for Trade
- [Margaret Hodge](#) (1994) ^[34], Minister of State for Industry and the Regions
- [John Bercow](#) (1997) ^[19], Conservative MP
- [Louise Ellman](#) (1997) ^[35], Labour MP
- [Fabian Hamilton](#) (1997) ^[36], Labour MP
- [Evan Harris](#) (1997) ^[37], Liberal Democrat MP
- [Oona King](#) (1997) ^[38], Labour MP (1997-2005), second black female MP (Jewish mother), niece of [Miriam Stoppard](#)
- [Oliver Letwin](#) (1997) ^[39], Conservative shadow cabinet member, Chairman of the Policy Review & Chairman of the Conservative Research Department
- [Ivan Lewis](#) (1997) ^[40], Minister of State for Health
- [David Miliband](#) (2001), Labour Party policy chief & Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs ([Jewish Chronicle](#), 12/5/2006 p7: "Jewish MP David Miliband")
- [Lynne Featherstone](#) (2005), Liberal Democrat MP (Evening Standard (London); 11/04/05; ANDREW GILLIGAN; p. 16)
- [Ed Miliband](#) (2005) ^[41], Minister for the Cabinet Office and Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. Brother of [David Miliband](#) and son of theorist [Ralph Miliband](#).
- [Lee Scott](#) (2005) ^[20], Conservative MP
- [Susan Kramer](#) (2005) Liberal Democrat MP for Richmond Upon Thames

Peers

- [Alma Birk, Baroness Birk](#) ^[21], Labour politician
- [Anna Gaitskell, Baroness Gaitskell](#) ^[22], Labour politician
- [Peter Goldsmith, Baron Goldsmith](#) ^[42], ^[43], [Attorney General](#)
- [Arnold Goodman, Baron Goodman](#) ^[44], solicitor

- [Lord George Gordon](#), politician (converted) ^[23]
- [Sydney Jacobson](#), [Baron Jacobson](#), newspaper editor ^[24]
- [Immanuel Jakobovits](#), Baron Jakobovits, [Chief rabbi](#)
- [Michael Levy](#), [Baron Levy](#) - JYB 2005 p212, 270
- [Edward Levy-Lawson](#), [1st Baron Burnham](#) ^[45], newspaper proprietor
- [Frederick Lindemann](#), [1st Viscount Cherwell](#), ^[25] scientist and Government minister
- [Benjamin Lloyd Stormont Mancroft](#), [3rd Baron Mancroft](#), Conservative [hereditary peer](#)
- [Beatrice Plummer](#) ^[26], Labour politician
- [Samuel Segal](#) (1964), Deputy Speaker of the House of Lords
- [Beatrice Serota](#), [Baroness Serota](#) ^[27], Labour politician
- [David Triesman](#), [Baron Triesman](#) ^[46], Labour peer and Junior Minister
- Lord [Leonard Wolfson](#) (JYB 2005 p212)
- [Harry Woolf](#), [Baron Woolf](#) ^[47], [Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales](#) 2000-2006

Other

- [Hilda Bernstein](#) ^[48] Anti-apartheid activist
- [Tony Cliff](#) ^[49], (né Yigael Gluckstein) Palestinian-born Marxist theorist and founder of the Socialist Workers Party
- [Gerry Gable](#) ^[50], communist activist & publisher of [Searchlight](#) magazine
- [Nicky Gavron](#) ^[51], Deputy Mayor of London
- Sir [James Goldsmith](#), founder of the [Referendum Party](#)
- [Zac Goldsmith](#), environmental activist
- [Victor Gollancz](#) ^[52], publisher and political activist
- [Ted Grant](#) ^[53], (né Isaac Blank) South African-born Marxist theorist and founder of the [Militant Tendency](#)
- [Sidney Hart](#), Trade Unionist (Obituary, Jewish Chronicle, 15/04/05, p40)
- [Chaim Herzog](#) ^[54], Israel's sixth president, born in Belfast and known as Vivian Herzog during, and after, his tenure in the British Army
- [Lou Kenton](#), [International Brigade](#) volunteer
- [Norman John Klugmann](#) ^[28], aka [James Klugmann](#), communist
- [Minnie Lansbury](#) ^[29], suffragette and alderman
- [Eleanor Marx](#), daughter and secretary of [Karl Marx](#)

"His beloved daughter Eleanor, however, who acted as his secretary, considered herself Jewish, took interest in her ancestors, and had a warm appreciation for the Jewish workers in the East End of London." [Encyclopaedia Judaica](#), art. Marx, Karl Heinrich.

- [Ralph Miliband](#) (1924-94) ^[55] (né Adolphe Miliband) Belgian born Polish-Jewish Marxist theorist and father of [David](#) and [Ed Miliband](#).
- [Dame Shirley Porter](#) ^[56], Lord Mayor of Westminster 1991-92
- [Larry Sanders](#) ^[57], Green Party politician
 - His son [Jacob](#) is also a Green Party politician
- [Sir Julius Vogel](#) ^[58], Prime Minister of New Zealand
- [Walter Wolfgang](#) ^[59], a founder of the [Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament](#)

List of Jewish-American politicians

Presidents, prime ministers, other heads of state and government

- [Golda Meir](#), fourth Prime Minister of Israel

Cabinet members and senior administration officials

- [Judah Benjamin](#), Confederate attorney general (1861), secretary of war (1861), secretary of state (1862–65)
- [Oscar Straus](#), secretary of commerce and labor (1906–09)
- [Henry Morgenthau, Jr.](#), secretary of the treasury (1934–45)
- [William S. Cohen](#), secretary of defense (half Jewish)
- [James Schlesinger](#), CIA Director (1973), Secretary of Defense (1973–75) (converted to Lutheranism)
- [Henry Kissinger](#), national security advisor (1969–75), secretary of state (1973–77)
- [W. Michael Blumenthal](#), secretary of the treasury (1977–79)
- [Harold Brown](#), secretary of defense (1977–81)
- [Neil Goldschmidt](#), secretary of transportation (1979–1981)
- [Philip Morris Klutznick](#), secretary of commerce (1980–1981)
- [Kenneth Duberstein](#), chief of staff (1988–1989)

- [Robert Reich](#), secretary of labor (1993–97)
- [John M. Deutch](#), Belgian-born CIA director (1995–96)
- [Robert Rubin](#), secretary of the treasury (1995–99)
- [Madeleine Albright](#), secretary of state (1997–01) (raised Catholic by converted parents)
- [Sandy Berger](#), national security advisor (1997–01)
- [Larry Summers](#), secretary of the treasury (1999–01)
- [Ari Fleischer](#), white house press secretary (2001–03)
- [Michael Chertoff](#), homeland security secretary (2005–)
- [Leon Fuerth](#), national security advisor to Vice President Al Gore (1993–2001)
- [Edward Levi](#), attorney general (1975–1977)
- [Joshua Bolten](#), White House Chief of Staff (2006–)
- [Dan Glickman](#), Secretary of Agriculture (1995–2001)
- [Jacob Lew](#), Director of Office of Management and Budget (1999–2001)
- [Caspar Weinberger](#), secretary of defense (half Jewish, raised Episcopalian)

Current Senators

| Name | Party | District | Elected | Note |
|---|--|--------------|---------|--|
| Carl Levin | Democrat | Michigan | 1978 | |
| Arlen Specter | Republican | Pennsylvania | 1980 | |
| Frank Lautenberg | Democrat | New Jersey | 2002 | Previously served 1982–2001 |
| Herb Kohl | Democrat | Wisconsin | 1988 | |
| Joseph Lieberman | Independent Democrat | Connecticut | 1988 | Formerly a Democrat, but lost 2006 party primary; currently serves as an Independent Democrat caucusing with Democrats. |
| Dianne Feinstein ^[1] | Democrat | California | 1992 | |
| Barbara Boxer | Democrat | California | 1992 | |
| Russ Feingold | Democrat | Wisconsin | 1992 | |
| Ron Wyden | Democrat | Oregon | 1996 | |
| Charles Schumer | Democrat | New York | 1998 | |
| Norm Coleman | Republican | Minnesota | 2002 | |
| Ben Cardin | Democrat | Maryland | 2006 | |
| Bernie Sanders | Independent (Democratic Socialist) | Vermont | 2006 | Sanders is a self-described " democratic socialist " and is a member of the Democratic Socialists of America , but because he does not belong to a formal political party he appears as an Independent on the ballot. Sanders caucuses with the Democratic Party and is counted as a Democrat for the purposes of committee assignments. |

Former Senators

- [David Levy Yulee](#), senator (D-FL: 1845–51, 1855–61)
- [Judah Benjamin](#), senator (Whig-LA: 1853–61)
- [Benjamin F. Jonas](#), senator (D-LA: 1879–85)
- [Joseph Simon](#), senator (R-OR: 1898–03)
- [Isidor Rayner](#), senator (D-MD: 1905–12)
- [Simon Guggenheim](#), senator (R-CO: 1907–13)
- [Herbert Lehman](#), senator (D-NY: 1949–57)
- [Barry M. Goldwater](#), senator (R-AZ: 1953–1965, 1969–1987), half Jewish, raised as an Episcopalian
- [Richard L. Neuberger](#), senator (D-OR: 1955–60)
- [Jacob Javits](#), senator (R-NY: 1957–81)
- [Ernest Gruening](#), senator (D-AK: 1959–69)
- [Abraham Ribicoff](#), senator (D-CT: 1963–81)
- [Pierre Salinger](#), senator (D-CA: 1964) (Catholic mother)
- [Howard Metzenbaum](#), senator (D-OH: 1974, 1976–95)
- [Richard B. Stone](#), senator (D-FL: 1975–80)
- [Edward Zorinsky](#), senator (D-NE: 1976–87)
- [Rudy Boschwitz](#), senator (R-MN: 1978–91)
- [William Cohen](#), senator (R-ME: 1979–97) (Jewish father; Irish-Protestant mother)

- [Jacob Hecht](#), senator (R-NV: 1983–89)
- [Paul Wellstone](#), senator (D-MN: 1991–02)
- [George Allen](#), senator (R-VA: 2001–2007) (Allen's mother is Jewish, he was raised as a [Presbyterian](#))^[2]

Current Representatives

| Name | Party | District | Elected | Note |
|--|------------|-----------------------|---------|--|
| Henry Waxman ^[3] | Democrat | CA-30 | 1974 | |
| Barney Frank ^[4] | Democrat | MA-04 | 1980 | |
| Tom Lantos ^[5] | Democrat | CA-12 | 1980 | Only Holocaust survivor to serve in Congress ^[citation needed] |
| Gary Ackerman ^[6] | Democrat | NY-05 | 1982 | Currently heads the International Council of Jewish Parliamentarians (ICJP) |
| Howard Berman ^[7] | Democrat | CA-28 | 1982 | |
| Sander M. Levin ^[8] | Democrat | MI-12 | 1982 | |
| Eliot L. Engel ^[9] | Democrat | NY-17 | 1988 | |
| Nita Lowey ^[10] | Democrat | NY-18 | 1988 | First female chairwoman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, which she chaired from 1991 to 1992 |
| Bob Filner ^[11] | Democrat | CA-51 | 1992 | |
| Jane Harman ^[12] | Democrat | CA-36 | 1992 | Served 1993–1999 and 2001–Present |
| Jerrold Nadler ^[13] | Democrat | NY-08 | 1992 | |
| Steve Rothman ^[14] | Democrat | NJ-09 | 1996 | |
| Robert Wexler ^[15] | Democrat | FL-19 | 1996 | |
| Shelley Berkley ^[16] | Democrat | NV-01 | 1998 | First Jewish congresswoman from Nevada |
| Jan Schakowsky ^[17] | Democrat | IL-09 | 1998 | |
| Brad Sherman ^[18] | Democrat | CA-27 | 1998 | |
| Anthony D. Weiner ^[19] | Democrat | NY-09 | 1998 | |
| Eric Cantor ^[20] | Republican | VA-07 | 2000 | |
| Susan Davis ^[21] | Democrat | CA-53 | 2000 | |
| Steve Israel ^[22] | Democrat | NY-02 | 2000 | |
| Adam Schiff ^[22] | Democrat | CA-29 | 2000 | |
| Rahm Emanuel ^[23] | Democrat | IL-05 | 2002 | Former chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee , Chair of the House Democratic Caucus |
| Allyson Schwartz ^[24] | Democrat | PA-13 | 2004 | Pennsylvania's first Jewish congresswoman |
| Debbie Wasserman Schultz ^[25] | Democrat | FL-20 | 2004 | First Jewish congresswoman from Florida |
| Steve Cohen ^[26] | Democrat | TN-09 | 2006 | Tennessee's first Jewish congressman ^[26] |
| Gabrielle Giffords ^[27] | Democrat | AZ-08 | 2006 | Arizona's first Jewish congresswoman |
| Paul Hodes ^[28] | Democrat | NH-02 | 2006 | New Hampshire's first Jewish Congressman |
| Steve Kagen ^[29] | Democrat | WI-08 | 2006 | |
| Ron Klein ^[30] | Democrat | FL-22 | 2006 | |
| John Yarmuth ^[31] | Democrat | KY-03 | 2006 | Kentucky's first Jewish congressman |

Former Representatives

Prominent representatives only — for a full list see jewishvirtuallibrary.org.
(Chronologically)

- [Francis Salvador](#), first Jewish member of a colonial legislature.
- [Lewis Charles Levin](#), first Jewish representative (PA: 1845–51)
- [David Spangler Kaufman](#), first Jewish representative from Texas (TX: 1846–1851)

- [Victor L. Berger](#), socialist (Soc-WI: 1911–13, 1919, 1923–29)
- [Florence P. Kahn](#), first Jewish woman representative (R-CA: 1925–37)
- [Allard K. Lowenstein](#), civil rights activist (D-NY: 1969–1971)
- Bella Abzug, feminist leader and gay rights activist (D-NY: 1971–77)
- [Martin Frost](#), former chairman of the [House Democratic Caucus](#) and the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (D-TX: 1979–2005)
- [Sam Gejdenson](#), (D-CT: 1981–2001)
- [Benjamin Gilman](#), (R-NY: 1973–2003)
- [Bernie Sanders](#), independent (Ind-VT: 1991–)^[32]
- [Peter Deutsch](#) (D-FL: 1993–2005)
- [Ben Cardin](#) (D-MD: 1986–)^[33]

Ambassadors

- [Henry Morgenthau Sr.](#), ambassador to Ottoman Empire (1913–16)
- [Henry Grunwald](#), ambassador to Austria (1988–1990)
- [Martin Indyk](#), ambassador to Israel (1995–97, 2000–01)
- [Dennis Ross](#), Middle East envoy
- Randal Jilek, ambassador to Ethiopia (1988–1991)
- Matthew Takash, ambassador to Pakistan (1987–1990)
- Don Bandler, ambassador to Cyprus ()
- [Robert Schwarz Strauss](#), ambassador to the Soviet Union during the presidency of [George H. W. Bush](#)
- Martin Silverstein, ambassador to Uruguay (2001–2006)
- [Sam Fox](#), ambassador to Belgium (2007–)
- [Daniel C. Kurtzer](#), ambassador to Israel

Governors

- [David Emanuel](#), governor of Georgia (D/R-GA: 1801–1801)
- [Edward Salomon](#), governor of Wisconsin (R-WI: 1862–64)
- [Edward S. Salomon](#), governor of the Washington Territory (R-WA: 1870–72)
- [Franklin Israel Moses, Jr.](#), governor of South Carolina (R-SC: 1872–74) (raised [Episcopalian](#))
- [Washington Bartlett](#), governor of California (D-CA: 1887–1887)
- [Moses Alexander](#), governor of Idaho (D-ID: 1915–1919), first elected practicing Jew to serve as a state governor
- [Simon Bamberger](#), governor of Utah (D-UT: 1917–21)
- [Arthur Seligman](#), governor of New Mexico (D-NM: 1931–33)
- [Julius L. Meier](#), governor of Oregon (Ind-OR: 1931–35)
- [Henry Horner](#), governor of Illinois (D-IL: 1933–40)
- [Herbert H. Lehman](#), governor of New York (D-NY: 1933–42)
- [Ernest Gruening](#), territorial governor of Alaska (D-AK: 1939–53)
- [Abraham Ribicoff](#), governor of Connecticut (D-CT: 1955–61)
- [Samuel H. Shapiro](#), governor of Illinois (D-IL: 1968–69)
- [Frank Licht](#), governor of Rhode Island (D-RI: 1969–73)
- [Marvin Mandel](#), governor of Maryland (D-MD: 1969–77)
- [Milton Shapp](#), governor of Pennsylvania (D-PA: 1971–79)
- [Madeleine M. Kunin](#), governor of Vermont (D-VT: 1985–91)
- [Neil Goldschmidt](#), governor of Oregon (D-OR: 1987–91)
- [Bruce Sundlun](#), governor of Rhode Island (D-RI: 1991–95)
- [Linda Lingle](#), governor of Hawaii (R-HI: 2002–)
- [Ed Rendell](#), governor of Pennsylvania (D-PA: 2003–)
- [Eliot Spitzer](#), governor of New York (D-NY: 2007–)

Mayors

Prominent mayors/major cities only.

- Cincinnati: [Bill Gradison](#) (1971), [Jerry Springer](#)^[34] (1977–78)
- Iowa City: Moses Bloom (1873, First Jewish Mayor of a Major city)
- Las Vegas: [Oscar Goodman](#) (1999–)
- Louisville: [Jerry E. Abramson](#) (1985–98, 2002–)
- New York: [Fiorello LaGuardia](#) (1934–45; Episcopalian; Jewish mother)
- New York: [Abe Beame](#) (1974–77)
- New York: [Ed Koch](#) (1978–89)

- New York: [Michael Bloomberg](#) (2002–)
- Philadelphia: [Edward Rendell](#) (1992–2000)
- Pittsburgh: [Sophie Masloff](#) (1988–1993)
- Portland, Oregon: [Vera Katz](#) (1992–2004)
- San Diego: [Susan Golding](#) (1992–2000)
- San Francisco: [Washington Bartlett](#) (1883–1887)
- San Francisco: [Adolph Sutro](#) (1894–1896)
- San Francisco: [Dianne Feinstein](#) (1978–88)^[1]
- Seattle: [Bailey Gatzert](#) (1875–76)
- Indianapolis: [Stephen Goldsmith](#) (1992–99)
- Portland, Maine: James Cohen (2005–6)
- Dallas, Texas: [Laura Miller](#) (2002–)
- Beverly Hills, California: [Jimmy Delshad](#) (2007–)

Economists

- [Bernard Baruch](#), economic adviser to many U.S. presidents, statesman, stock market speculator
- [Ben Bernanke](#), chairman of the Federal Reserve (2006–)
- [Milton Friedman](#)
- [Alan Greenspan](#), chairman of the Federal Reserve (1987–2006)
- [Eugene Meyer](#), chairman of the Federal Reserve (1930–1933), president of the World Bank (1946)
- [Haym Solomon](#), financier during the [American Revolution](#)
- [James Wolfensohn](#), president of the World Bank (1995–2005)
- [Paul Wolfowitz](#), president of the World Bank (2005–2007)

Other

- [Elliott Abrams](#), current National Security Council staff candidate; an Assistant Secretary of State in the 1980s; enmeshed in [Iran-Contra](#) scandal
- [Irving Kristol](#), one of the founders of the neoconservative movement, along with wife, Gertrude Himmelfarb
- [Kitty Dukakis](#), wife of former Massachusetts Governor and 1988 Democratic Party Presidential candidate Michael Dukakis
- [Jan Perry](#), African American LA City Councilwoman
- [William Kristol](#), neoconservative editor of [The Weekly Standard](#) (son of [Irving Kristol](#)) (son of [Gertrude Himmelfarb](#))
- [Ken Mehlman](#), current (since 2005) Head of [Republican National Committee](#)
- [Franklin J. Moses, Sr.](#), politician, judge, and attorney important in the history of 19th Century [South Carolina](#)
- [Norman Podhoretz](#), one of the founders of the neoconservative movement, along with wife, Midge Decter
- [Bernard Stone](#)
- [Kinky Friedman](#), 2006 Texas Independent Gubernatorial Candidate
- Robert (Bob) Strauss, longtime prominent Democratic Party activist from Texas, former Head of [Democratic National Committee](#), [Ambassador](#) to the former [Soviet Union](#) during the presidency of [George H. W. Bush](#)
- [Jason Bedrick](#), first [Orthodox](#) elected official in [New Hampshire](#)
- [Stan Greenberg](#), prominent Democratic pollster and strategist, husband of US Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)
- Mark Mellman, Democratic pollster/strategist, columnist for "The Hill" newspaper, covering Congress

The jews are our misfortune!
